

TRIBUTE PAID TO J. P. STRICKLAND

Guest of Honor at Elaborate
Banquet in Washington.

FETED BY THE ARKANSANS.

Club of Progressive Young Men From
the Bear State Made the Welkin Ring
When They Entertained the New As-
sistant Register of the United States
Treasury at the Y. M. C. A.

By R. W. THOMPSON.

Washington.—Professor J. P. Strickland, the newly appointed assistant register of the United States treasury, was the guest of honor at an elaborate banquet recently tendered to him by the Arkansans, a club made up of progressive young men from Arkansas residing at the nation's capital largely as students or as officials under the federal government.

The affair took place in the parlors and state dining room of the Twelfth street branch of the Young Men's Christian association, and the friends of the Arkansans made the welkin ring with their plaudits of the good things said and done in the state's largest and best equipped temple of militant Christianity in the world. Covers were laid for forty, and the menu was toothsome and abundant.

The program embraced the introductory remarks by the vice president, W. F. Turner, who acted as toastmaster in the unavoidable absence of the president, M. F. Harris; address of welcome in behalf of the club, W. E. King; violin solo, E. O. Cox; address, "How May Religious and Social Organizations Co-operate?" Lewis E. Johnson, secretary of the Y. M. C. A.; address, "The Universality of the Press," R. W. Thompson, president of the National Negro Press association; piano selection, J. N. Donohoo, and remarks by M. S. Caver. "How the Arkansans Are Making Good Everywhere."

High Tribute to His Countrymen.
Mr. Strickland, who delivered the closing address, spoke in an exceedingly happy vein of the honor conferred upon him by his fellow citizens of Arkansas, a state which he was proud to



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call his home, and pledged himself to do all within his power to show them that the commission placed in his hands has been worthily bestowed. He will try to live up to the high standard of honesty and efficiency expected of him by his supporters.

He believed firmly in the ability of the Negro race to rise to the highest mark of human endeavor and referred to pluck, thrift, industry and fidelity to duty as the rounds in the ladder upon which we must climb. Mr. Strickland spoke in laudatory terms of President Taft and with grateful appreciation of the practical evidences of friendship for the race indicated by the nation's chief executive.

Rooster of the Arkansans.

The Arkansans was organized some time ago with the view of bringing into closer union the young men from their home state and of promoting interests which they might have in common. It is a source of much pride with them that they helped to shape the policies that led to the "lining up" of the colored voters in Arkansas with certain potent factors, resulting in the signal defeat of the infamous "grandfather clause," designed to disfranchise the Negro citizens. The officers and members of the club are as follows:

M. F. Harris, president; W. F. Turner, vice president; E. W. Harrison, secretary; H. H. Rhineheart, assistant secretary; J. J. Porter, treasurer; E. H. Dryer, sergeant-at-arms; E. A. Webb, assistant sergeant-at-arms.

Mr. James P. Strickland is a native of De Soto county, Miss., where he was born in 1866. He graduated from Rust university at Holly Springs in 1887. Taught school in several counties in Texas and in Mississippi and Tennessee, finally locating at Argenta, Ark., where he became principal of the colored high school in 1901, where he served with distinction until called to Washington by President Taft as assistant register of the treasury.

CHILD WELFARE HEALTH EXHIBIT

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SERIES OF HELPFUL TALKS.

Successful New York Organization
Co-operates With the Public in Giving
Instructive Exhibition Illustrating
Best Methods to Prevent Destruction
of Child Life.

By N. BARNETT DODSON.

New York.—Under the auspices of the people of the neighborhood of San Juan hill, in this city, with the co-operation of the New York child welfare committee, an exhibit on health was given in the rooms of the Henrietta school, in West Sixty-third street, from Thursday, Dec. 12, to Wednesday, Dec. 18, inclusive. The exhibit presented in a clear and vivid manner how parents may more intelligently feed, clothe and care for their children.

Admission to the exhibit, which was held every afternoon and evening, was free to all. Health talks were given at each session by prominent physicians. Doctors and nurses were in constant attendance to give information and advice to parents and others who have the care of children. Pamphlets of instruction on health were furnished free and in abundance.

The program was arranged so as to allow twenty minutes for entertainment, twenty minutes for health talks and one hour for visiting the various exhibits each day and evening. The problem as how best to banish ignorance and prevent that carelessness which blights so many young lives is one which has long called for serious attention. The plan of action for the exhibit had the co-operation of physicians, clergymen, teachers, settlement workers and business men and women, through whose efforts the exhibit was prepared.

Two generations ago the neighborhood of West Sixtieth street and Amsterdam avenue was known as Mount Eagle, with gardens and cultivated fields throughout the district. This same territory has undergone a complete transformation within recent years and is now inhabited by at least 1,500 colored people, not to mention the thousands of white persons of different nationalities.

The new name, San Juan hill, was given to this neighborhood shortly after the gallant charge of the colored soldiers up San Juan hill during the Spanish-American war in 1898. It is a most encouraging sign of real construction work to note the interest which the people generally manifested in the exhibit which, besides being highly educational, afforded an opportunity for personal contact of those for whom it was especially given.

Two of the largest and most influential organizations at work for the amelioration of the problems of discrimination on account of color and for proper housing and sanitary conditions among Afro-Americans gave hearty co-operation in making the affair a success—namely, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the National League on Urban Conditions.

Something of the public interest manifested in the Child Welfare organization on the part of persons of large responsibility may be gleaned by a look at the names of those who were at the head of the various committees. For instance, Dr. W. E. Burghardt Du Bois was chairman of the executive committee, Miss H. T. Emerson chairman of the neighborhood needs committee, E. K. Jones chairman of the exhibit committee, Dr. A. S. Reed chairman of the committee on health talks, Miss E. G. Burleigh chairman of the committee on music and entertainments, Mrs. E. E. Greene chairman of the committee on ex-plainers, Miss Kate Kaufman chairman of the literature committee, C. G. Allison, Jr., chairman of the committee on publicity, and the Rev. Victor G. Flinn was chairman of the finance committee.

The committee of arrangements was composed of Miss L. A. Morgan, Gilchrist Stewart, Miss H. T. Emerson, Eugene K. Jones, Dr. A. S. Reed, Miss Eva G. Burleigh, Mrs. E. E. Greene, Miss Kate Kaufman, Charles C. Allison, Jr., Rev. Victor G. Flinn, Matthew P. Adams, Dr. Addison W. Baird, Rev. William H. Brooks, Miss L. Russell, Thomas J. Bell, Mrs. M. S. Collins, Miss E. Conklin, Nathaniel B. Dodson, Mrs. E. Gannett, Rev. W. P. Hayes, Jr., Rev. J. Wesley Johnson, Dr. P. A. Johnson, Rev. Thomas M. O'Keefe, Rev. George H. Sims, Miss M. L. Stewart, Miss Kate Walsh, Mrs. A. Dwight, Charles F. Fowlson and Frank C. Myers.

The exhibit has caused an awakening among the masses of the people in the San Juan section of the city, which is sure to result in the promotion of better home life among those who witnessed the series of exhibits illustrating the various problems of child welfare and home culture. The lesson of co-operation was also most effectively taught.

Sunday Schools Meet in Glen Cove.
The annual convention of the Sunday schools of the A. M. E. church on Long Island, New York, was held recently at the Bethel church in Glen Cove, N. Y., for two days. Topics of general interest to religious workers were discussed.



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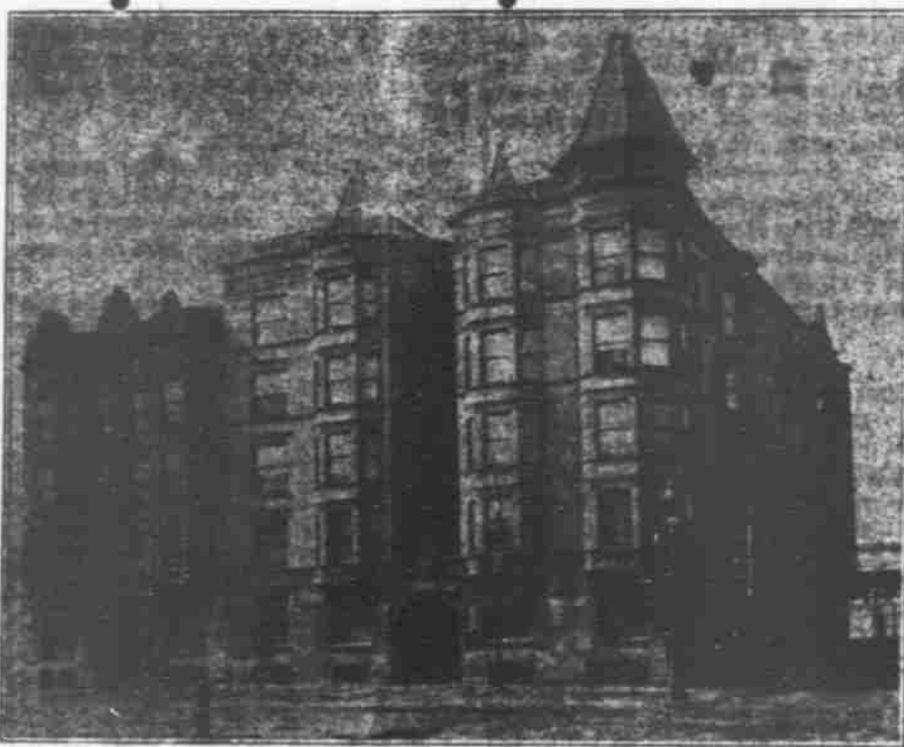
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Drummer (in wine)—Have you tasted that sample of wine I left with you, madame?

Madame—No, I haven't, but I don't think it can be any great shakes, for it's been here three days and the servants have barely touched it—Polo Mele.

Little dab of powder.
Little speck of paint,
Make my lady's freckles
Look as if they ain't.
—Lippincott's Magazine.

Mrs. Datus—Is your daughter marrying well?
Mrs. Argo—M'dear, she'll never need to worry where the gasoline is coming from.—Globe.

How sad is life
When we go wrong!
For then we're hissed
By all the throng.

And, hearing them,
You would infer
That they, forsooth,
Could never err.
—Birmingham Age-Herald.

The Swan—I shall sing before I die.
Remember that.
The Nightingale—Well, the folks will die after you sing.—New York Sun.

A woman's pleas may reap on men
If whining or sarcastic she's,
But when she's sweet and gentle then
Few can withstand a woman's "please."
—Kansas City Star.

"It's going to be a hard winter."
"How can you tell?"
"By the size of the salary I'm getting."
—Boston Transcript.

Everything is going up,
All we eat or wear,
It's costing more to feed the pup.
Life is full of care.
Still hope hasn't been quite killed.
Why sit in despair?
It continues cheap to build
Castles in the air.
—Chicago Record-Herald.

Miss Vain—All the men declared I was the prettiest girl in the room.
Miss Nipper—Were you at a stag party?—New York Times.

There was a young fellow from Ma.
On whom the girls looked with awe,
To get him a wife,
He's tried all his life,
And still he is looking at us.
—Fun Magazine.

"Why are those Indians so serious and quiet?"
"It is necessary to their mode of life. Men who spend so much time in canoes don't dare be otherwise."
—Washington Star.

He ought to have a little crown
To prove that he is truly great.
The while his wife was out of town
He didn't break a single plate.
—Houston Post.

Gabe—Do you follow the races?
Steve—I guess so. I can't get ahead of them.—New York American.

The hunter had but little luck,
For he was out to shoot a buck.
He shot a farmer's cow instead,
Worth fifty bucks, the farmer said.
—Washington Herald.

First Neighbor—Have you heard tell of them newfangled trial marriages?
Second Neighbor—I don't see nothin' newfangled about 'em. Mine's been a trial to me for the last twenty years.—Judge.

It may be that I'm in a rut
And miss a lot, by gosh!
I've oft seen the pig iron, but
I never saw one wash.
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"How did the doctor persuade you to give up smoking?"
"Made his bill so big I couldn't afford to buy any more tobacco."
—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Our Johnny was an angel
Who never told a lie
Or soiled his clothes or skinned his nose
Or swiped the new made pie
Until he was corrupted—
You see, he's but eleven.
Mildred, by that most dreadful trait
Next door, who's all of seven!

"Hubby, I want some furs this winter."
"All right, dearie. I'll get you a nice set of ear muffs."
—Kansas City Journal.

Though steel and gas and iron meet
Divide the world in parts,
Yet love controls the strongest trust—
The syndicate of hearts.
—Judge.

"When I go on a trip I never know what I ought to take with me."
"Oh, I do. It's quite simple. I take all my dresses and leave behind my husband."
—La Vie Parisienne.

They used to "spark" did he and she.
Each night they were wed,
And now they "blaze" out frequently,
Tis by the neighbors said.
—Boston Evening Transcript.

The Artist—I think I've got a good joke this time, what?
The Editor—You're right. It is a good joke. I always laugh at this one before I reject it. Done it for years.—Sketch.

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